

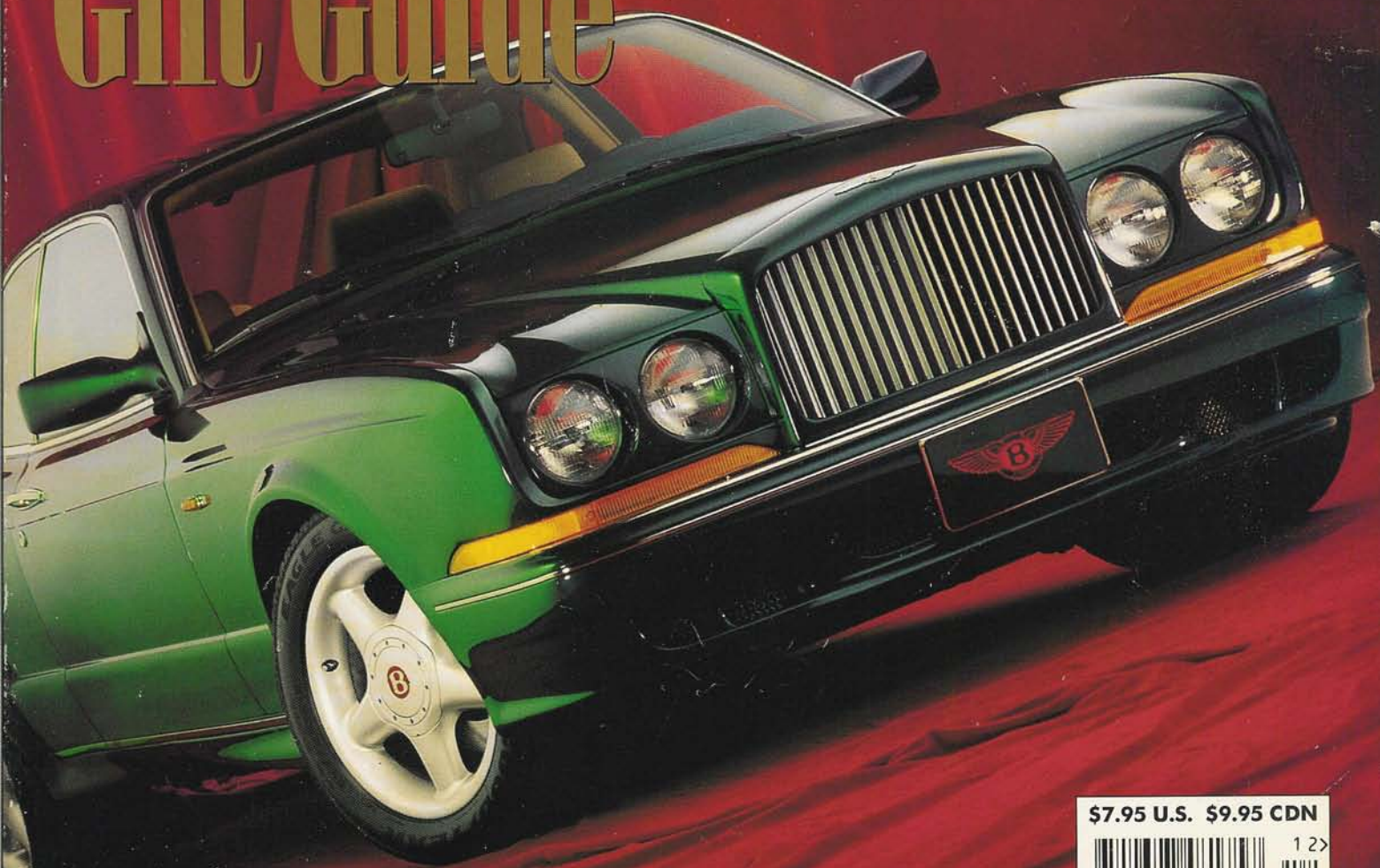
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A fierce velociraptor turns this way and that above Steven Spielberg's stable in East Hampton, N.Y., but this dinosaur isn't stalking prey—it's simply performing its function as a weather vane. The 4-foot-long

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